

# Sawyer County's Older Population

## Social and Economic Characteristics

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	Sawyer County		Wisconsin
Household Income (Householder Age 65+)		Percent	Percent
Income less than \$35,000	1,344	72.1%	65.2%
Income less than \$50,000	1,573	84.4%	80.4%

Persons 65+ with Incomes Below Poverty Level	Number	Percent	Percent
Below Poverty	269	9.6%	7.4%
Below 2.0 x Poverty	1,215	43.3%	29.6%

Median Income: Comparing Age Groups		Dollars	Dollars
Total (Householders of all ages)		\$32,287	\$43,791
Householder 65 to 74 years		\$26,250	\$31,328
Householder 75 years and over		\$15,769	\$21,046

Employment Status: Persons Age 65+	Number	Percent	Percent
Males Employed in Civilian Labor Force	245	17.8%	17.7%
Females Employed in Civilian Labor Force	163	10.6%	9.3%

Educational Attainment: Persons Age 65+	Number	Percent	Percent
65+; Less than 9th grade	335	11.5%	17.8%
65+; 9th to 12th grade; no diploma	467	16.0%	15.5%
65+; High school graduate (includes equivalency)	1,148	39.3%	38.2%
65+; Some college; no Bachelor's degree	595	20.4%	13.7%
65+, Bachelor's degree or more	378	12.9%	12.7%

Marital Status: Persons Age 65+	Number	Percent	Percent
Never married	146	5.0%	4.7%
Married	1,725	59.0%	52.9%
Separated	134	4.6%	5.2%
Widowed	795	27.2%	31.3%
Divorced	123	4.2%	5.9%
<b>Males</b> , 65 and over, married	943	68.4%	71.3%
<b>Females</b> , 65 and over, married	782	50.6%	39.9%

Disability Status, Persons Age 65+	Number	Percent	Percent
Persons 65 or older with any disability	1,001	35.7%	36.5%
With a sensory disability	438	15.6%	11.9%
With a physical disability	713	25.4%	24.1%
With a mental disability	188	6.7%	7.6%
With a self-care disability	222	7.9%	7.5%
With a go-outside-home disability	302	10.8%	17.7%
Age 65+, with disability and income below poverty level	130	13.0%	10.6%